NY-AYF UPDATE

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Dear Bad-ass Anarcho-Conference Goers,

Hola, and welcome to this brief New York Anarchist Youth Federation Update sheet. The purpose of this flier is to tell all you folks from outside the New York City area what we're up to, as lots of shit has been going on here. And we hope some of the stuff we're doing appeals to you folks enough that you'd want to get involved and help out.

The New York Chapter of the Anarchist Youth Federation was formed in September of 1990 following the break-up of NYDAC (New York Direct Action Network) due to ideological differences within the group. The class-struggle anarcho-militants of NYDAC, who saw it as politically impotent due to several factions (including ourselves) pushing for different agendas, proposed that the group disband. This turned out to be a wise move, as we have since been much more able to express ourselves, not having to spend time in constant argument with those who still don't acknowledge that a class system exists in the US, and that self-defense/violence is sometimes justified (not that we don't respect people who feel differently, but in order for a group to work people must agree on ENDS and MEANS).

At the present time NY-AYF is a collective of young people varying in age, who meet sporadically to co-ordinate projects and actions. We are all sexy. Most of the work we're doing is educational outreach, with the purpose of gearing up for directed forms of resistance in the near future. We also homebrew. The ideological beliefs in the group vary, but for the most part we are all class struggle @'s. So, not much else to say. Please write, as mail turns us on and we love to communicate.

B-Bad Forever,

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YOUTH LIBERATION GATHERING

From August 9-12, in Ottawa, Canada there will be an anarchist gathering with a focus on youth liberation. It will consist of workshops, music, parties, and a host of other junk you'd expect to find around a bunch of loony extremists. All are welcome, even adults (This gathering is rated C. All grown-ups over the age of 21 must be accompanied by a child. Just Kidding). We're in the process of coordinating workshops, so if there is something you'd like to do a presentation on, please write (thus far, there will be stuff on Youth and Prisons, Eastern Europe, Anarcha-feminism and a bunch more stuff). We're also organizing transportation, and registration. Finally, the gathering is in desperate need of funds, so we're asking people to hold benefits and to donate as much as they can spare. The Youth Lib. Network//Ottawa AYF can be reached at:PO. Box 4402, Sta. E Ottawa, Ontario K1S 5B4

ANARCHIST BLACK LISTS//DIRECTORY

We are literally being flooded with mail, including a lot of folks from outside the NYC area. Mostly, they want info. on anarchist activities in their area, so we've produced a contact list of active North American groups that is being constantly updated. Unfortunately, there are many groups we're not aware of, and new ones start everyday. We're asking people who are involved in a group, or know of some not on our list to drop us a line.

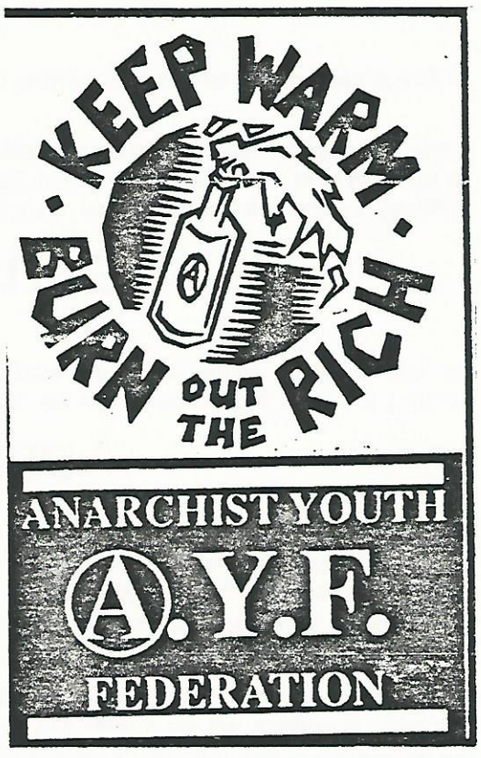
We will also be producing directories of Anarchist Black Cross chapters, Ecomedia newsletters, @ publications/ magazines, alternative distributors, and a reading list of basic anarchist literature and books for those new to the community. We are begging people to help us out with these, so please drop us a line.

ALTERNATIVE WIMMIN'S HEALTH CARE BOOK

Several folks in NY-AYF are compiling a book on non-institutional wimmin's health care. It will be a collection of facts, stories and information, as well as contacts. They would like this to be an international collaboration, with the purpose of reaching out to ALL WIMMIN (especially poor, homeless and working class ones who often don't have access to this information). All those interested in helping out, write to:NY-AYF 328 Flatbush Ave. Suite 314, Brooklyn, NY 11238

PAMPHLETS FOR THE NEW GENERATION

There were many lessons learned from the recent war in the Middle East, especially at home to those of us who were part of the resistance. We saw how organized the police were, ready to stifle any dissent. It also became blatantly obvious that the anti-war movement is still rooted



in middle-class, passive civil disobedience. Those who were willing to take resistance one-step further were often out of touch with time-tested tactics for combatting the lackeys of the state. For this reason we are compiling "UNCIVIL DISOBEDIENCE:A BOOKLET FOR THE YOUTH OF THE 90'S". It will be a collection of tactics, how-to's, etc.

We have also been informed that everyone's favorite robots, the RCP, have been attempting to recruit AYF members, with some degree of success. We believe this is due to many people's ignorance of the party's history and their real agenda (and what it means). So, in coordination with Neither East Nor West NYC, we are producing a pamphlet on the history of the RCP. The pamphlet will be a collection of articles, fliers and people's first hand accounts with Bob Avakian's clones. Both projects can be reached through the AYF P.O. Box.

AYF MERCHANDISE

It's important to look fashionable when smashing the state. For this reason, we are working on a series of T-shirts. We are also producing various AYF stickers and posters, and patches & pins are in the works. For more info. on these, send an S.A.S.E.

SHIT-HOT LITERATURE

We have been producing fliers on a variety of topics:What is Anarchism?, Anarcha-feminism, Class Struggle Anarchism, the Big @ and Animal Lib., and much more. In the works is information on direct action how to's and its role in the movement, how to secure groups from infiltration and surveillance, James Bay II, McDonald's, and much more.

We also produced an ad for the AYF that we're asking publications to run in upcoming issues. For copies of any of the above stuff, send a stamp.

DISTRIBUTION

All those who publish magazines, literature, make t-shirts, pins and any other form of outreach should drop us a line, as we are currently running a non-profit distribution. For a current list of merchandise we distribute, please send some postage.

GENERAL BULLSHIT

Besides all the above, there are some general long-standing projects we have going. Starting in the fall, we will most likely be publishing an international AYF magazine, and possibly a monthly page in LOVE & RAGE. We are also running an anarchist hotline which features several voice mail boxes, an update of NYC activities and an anarchist sex-line. The number is (212) 925-2306, and it is available from any touch tone phone.

Then there's general bullshit like tabling, wheatpasting, etc. We're also in the process of our first mass mailing (to over 400 people). If you're interested in getting on our mailing list, please drop us a line, and any donation of stamps/$$$ you can afford.

Well, that's about all.

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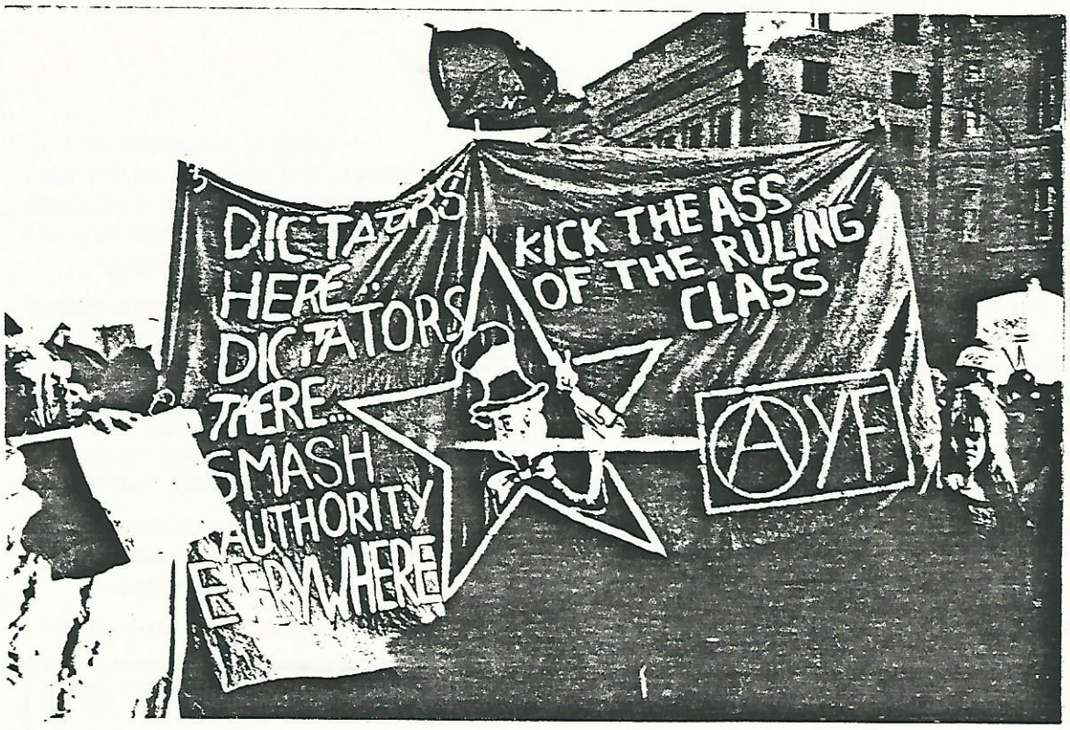

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